
**MINUTES OF DECEMBER 24, 2001
COMMISSION MEETING**

OPEN SESSION

Chairman Hensley called the meeting of December 24, 2001, to order at 3:02 p.m. with Chairman Hensley and Commissioners Sasaki, Smith, and Palmer present.

Staff Present: Peter Melnicoe, Chief Counsel; and Herb Bolz, Senior Legal Counsel and Regulations Coordinator.

DECISION ITEMS

- Finding of necessity for the special meeting
(Government Code section 11125.4 (c)).

Chief Counsel Melnicoe presented the finding of necessity for the special meeting to the Commission for its consideration. Chief Counsel Melnicoe announced that pursuant to Government Code section 11125.4, subdivision (c), the California Gambling Control Commission finds that this special meeting is authorized because the delay required to provide notice otherwise required by Section 11125 of the Government Code would preclude immediate action required to protect the public interest. This special meeting is required in order that the Commission may consider in closed session imminent litigation concerning which time is of the essence.

Commissioner Smith moved to adopt the finding of necessity for the special meeting. Commissioner Sasaki seconded the motion and with a vote by roll call Smith, Sasaki, Hensley, and Palmer unanimously adopted the findings of necessity for the special meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Chairman Hensley announced that the Commission would be going into closed session. At 3:06 p.m. the Commission adjourned to closed session after Commission Counsel stated that the Commission may meet in closed session pursuant to Government Code section 11126, subdivision (e), paragraph (2), subparagraph (C), in order to determine whether to initiate litigation.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

Chairman Hensley reconvened the open session at 3:34 p.m., indicated there were no announcements from the closed session and moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Palmer seconded the motion and with a vote by roll call Hensley, Palmer, Sasaki, and Smith unanimously adopted the motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:36 p.m.